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PASS STR (KELLY), COMMERCE, LABOR, TREASURY

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: ETRD, TW, KS, US
SUBJECT: FOOTWEAR NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) TAIPEI 2608, (B) TAIPEI 2655, (C) SEOUL 3827, (D)
SEOUL 3865, (E) SEOUL 3866, (F) SEOUL 3867, (G) SEOUL 3868

1. REFTELS REPORT PROGRES OF NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE AND
REQUEST WASHINGTON ADVICE ON A NUMBER OF MATTERS INCLUDING
SEVERAL REQUESTS FOR AUTHORITY NOT COVERED IN ORIGINAL
NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS. ASIDE FROM KELLY-LANDE TELCON
CONVEYING WASHINGTON ASSENT TO OFFER OF CATEGORIES BASED
ON MATERIAL COMPOSITION OF FOOTWEAR IN DRAFT AGREEMENT
WITH GROC, ACCORDING TO OUR RECORDS WE HAVE NOT YET
RECEIVED ADVICE ON FOLLOWING SPECIFIC PENDING REQUESTS,
INCLUDING THOSE MADE AS RECENTLY AS TODAY:

(A) PROPOSAL TO USE CATEGORIES BASE CONSISTING OF
LEATHER, PLASTICS (INCLUDING POLYURETHANE) AND "OTHER
MATERIALS" IN GROC AGREEMENT, WITH FALLBACK TO ASSURANCE
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THAT GROC WILL NOT CHANGE EXPORT PRODUCT MIX DISRUPTIVELY
AND WILL AGREE, IN EVENT OF DISRUPTION, TO CONSULTATIONS
DURING WHICH, AS AGREED IN ADVANCE BY GROC, USG COULD
CONTROL DISRUPTIVE IMPORTS BY ADDING NEW CATEGORIES OR
BY OTHER MEANS.

(B) AUTHORITY TO USE MORE GENERAL "BEST EFFORTS" PROVISION

IN SPACING PARAGRAPH OF GROC AGREEMENT, USING LANGUAGE
OF THE U.S. -ROC TEXTILE AGREEMENT TO
MAINTAIN NORMAL PATTERN OF TRADE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT
SEASONAL FACTORS.

(C) AUTHORITY TO SECURE GROC ASSURANCE IN A SIDE LETTER
THAT THERE WILL NOT BE A SHIFT INTO FOOTWEAR UPPERS TO
CIRCUMVENT AGREEMENT LIMITATIONS.

(D) ADVICE ON PREFERRED METHOD TO DEAL WITH POSSIBLE
PROBLEM OF SHIPMENTS OVERHANG IN PIPELINE PRIOR TO
START-UP DATE IN KOREAN AGREEMENT. (PROBLEM MAY ALSO
ARISE IN AGREEMENT WITH GROC.)

(3) CONFIRMING ADVICE THAT SURVEILLANCE UNDER A NEWLY
REVISED CATEGORIES SYSTEM IS POSSIBLE FOR START-UP DATES
NOW BEING CONTEMPLATED.

(F) ADVICE ON PREFERRED OPTION ON WOOL FELT FOOTWEAR
USED FOR BOOT LINERS.

(G) AUTHORITY TO MOVE U.S. OFFER TO ROK FROM 30-34
MILLION PAIRS TO 30-35 MILLION PAIRS, WITHIN GUIDELINE
OF 160 MILLION PAIR TOTAL OFFER TO BOTH COUNTRIES.

2. REGRET SHORT NOTICE BUT NEGOTIATIONS MAY BE COMING
TO CONCLUSION. ACCORDINGLY, U.S. DEL REQUESTS WASHINGTON
ADVICE ON THESE POINTS BY COB TUESDAY MAY 10 (WASHINGTON
TIME).

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